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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the International Institute of Population Sciences, Mumbai has recently conducted a survey on national family health;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith suggestions; and
- (c) the action proposed to be taken by the Government in regard to suggestions made by the surveyor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The second round of National Family Health Survey (NFHS) was conducted in 1998-99 covering 25 States and 90,000 ever married women in the reproductive age group. Under this survey information has been collected on wide range of subjects related to fertility, family planning, infant and child mortality, maternal and child health, utilisation of health services, etc. The detailed results of the survey at all India level have already been published and released. Some of the key issues based on the findings of the survey includes

- (i) addressing unmet need of women for family planning
- (ii) encouraging late marriage for women
- (iii) discouraging son preference
- (iv) promoting women's empowerment
- (v) reducing malnutrition and anaemia among women in the reproductive age group and the children.

(c): The results of this survey will be used mainly for monitoring and evaluation of implementation of various interventions of RCH Programme which is a continuous process.